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In re application of: Athavale et al.
Serial No.: 09/757,123 Group: Art Unit 1765
Filed: January 9, 2001 Examiner: Deo, Duy Vu Nguyen
For: METHOD FOR DRY ETCHING DEEP TRENCHES IN A SUBSTRATE

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Commissioner for Patents
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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL FORM

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

[] Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
[] A verified statement to establish small entity under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
 No additional fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

| (Col. 1) | (Col. 2) | (Col. 3) | SMALL ENTITY | OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY | | | | |
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| TOTAL | 30 * | MINUS | 31** | = 0 | X | 9 | \$ 0 | X 18 \$ 0 |
| INDEP. | 5* | MINUS | 5*** | = 0 | X | 43 | \$ 0 | X 86 \$ 0 |
| [] FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM | | | X 145 | \$ | X | 290 | \$ 0 | |
| | | | TOTAL | | | OR TOTAL | \$ 0 | |
| | | | ADDITIONAL FEE | \$ 0.00 | | | | |

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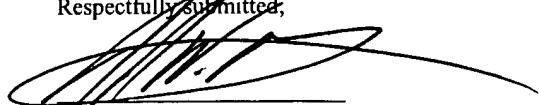
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Also, in the event any extensions of time for responding are required for the pending application(s), please treat this paper as a petition to extend the time as required and charge Deposit Account No. 50-0679 therefor. TWO (2) COPIES OF THIS SHEET ARE ENCLOSED.

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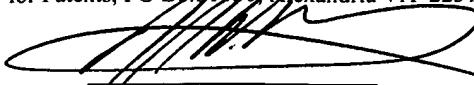
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EXAMINING GROUP ART GROUP UNIT 1765**

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AMENDMENT

This is a response to the Final Office Action mailed on April 20, 2004 . Please consider the following amendments and remarks to the above-identified application:

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